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Laws and Decrees on the Financial and Economic Policies of the Central
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FOR ADMINISTRATION OF FOREIGN TRADE

(Promulgated by the Government Administration Council, 8 December 1950)

Article 1. According to Article 37 of the Common Program, which was unan-
imously adopted by the China People's Political Consultative Conference, the ad-
ministration of foreign trade and the adoption of a protective trade policy were
established.

Article 2. In matters related to foreign trade administration, the Ministry
of Trade regulates the Foreign Trade Control Office and the associated offices.

Article 3. All public and private businesses of this country which engage
in imports or exports, and all factories engaged in exporting must present a reg-
istered request to the local Foreign Trade Control Office. The procedure for reg-
istering requests shall be determined by the Ministry of Trade.

Article 4. In carrying out the regulations, all representatives of foreign
businesses and organizations within our country's export trade administration
must submit to a judicial inquiry under the appropriate foreign affairs office
of the people's government, and present a registered request to the local Foreign
Trade Control Office. Upon approval by the Ministry of Trade, transactions must
be carried out in accordance with the items listed.

Article 5. The classification of imported goods shall be as follows:

Authorized imports: all commodities within the category of authorized
imports.

All purchased imports: all commodities within the category of special
imports by Chinese returning to China.

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Prohibited imports: all commodities except those which are authorized by the Committee of Finance and Economics.

Special-permit imports: commodities which may be imported by means of a special permit issued by the Ministry of Trade.

Article 6. The classification of exported goods shall be as follows:

Authorized exports: all commodities within the category of authorized exports.

All sold exports: all commodities within the category of special exports by Chinese returning to China.

Prohibited exports: all commodities except those designated as authorized exports by the Committee of Finance and Economics.

Special-permit exports: commodities which may be exported by means of a special permit issued by the Ministry of Trade.

Article 7. All importers and exporters, bringing in or shipping out goods, must apply to the local Foreign Trade Control Office with the proper registered request for imports or exports, and they must conform to the general and specific import-export regulations.

Article 8. All imports and exports not of a commercial nature, such as gifts, contributions, free advertisements, samples, and personally-made goods, are to be examined by the customs office to see whether they are within the quantity permitted, and they may enter or leave the port with the proper affidavits.

Article 9. All imports and exports must conform to foreign-exchange procedures which are determined from time to time by the Ministry of Trade. The Ministry of Trade also determines the types of goods which may be imported or exported and their system of purchase or sale.

Article 10. With regard to exported goods, if they are sold on consignment or sold by contract, the exporters must follow the fixed procedures and obtain permission from the local Foreign Trade Control Office; then the goods may be shipped out. The procedures are determined by the Ministry of Trade in conjunction with the People's Bank of China.

Article 11. If importers or exporters infringe on this law or other regulations connected with foreign trade, the circumstances of the case are to be adjudicated by the local Foreign Trade Control Office. The lawbreakers are to be instructed and warned, and sent to the appropriate judicial authorities to be punished according to the law.

Article 12. The detailed list of items referred to in general under Articles 5 and 6, and all revisions are determined and promulgated by the Committee of Finance and Economics.

Article 13. These regulations have been drawn up and promulgated by the Government Administrative Council. Specific details are to be issued by the Ministry of Trade.

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